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#### OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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## MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY COMMANDER, UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND

SUBJECT: Space Available Travel Privileges for Dependents within the CONUS

Your proposed plan for implementing the one-year CONUS space available test for dependents is approved as outlined in your November 14, 2002 memorandum (attached). Please keep me informed periodically as you move ahead with this effort.

We concur that the space available simplification plan is complex and requires extensive planning and coordination; therefore, we will consider your proposal and address that as a separate initiative.

Earl B. Boyanton,

Assistant Deputy Under Secretary

(Transportation Policy)

Attachment As Stated





#### UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND

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14 November 2002

#### MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (TRANSPORTATION POLICY)

FROM: TCDC

SUBJECT: Space Available Travel Privileges for Dependents Within the CONUS

(Your Memo, 8 Oct 02)

- 1. In response to referenced memo, we have developed an outline to implement the CONUS dependent space available test (Attachment 1). We propose implementing this 1-year test on 1 Apr 03, after an intensive public affairs announcement campaign is completed to ensure the field is comfortable with the test parameters and has advance notice prior to the summer travel season.
- 2. With regard to the Services' concerns, we agree they are valid and will use them as a baseline to evaluate the test. Our plan is to address each concern quantitatively using data collected as the test progresses, followed by a complete analysis when the test is complete.
- 3. Because the overall proposed space available simplification plan is complex and requires extensive planning and coordination, we recommend working it as a separate issue, but begin the CONUS space available test as soon as outlined above. We can begin the simplification plan project with a draft rewrite (Attachment 2) of DOD 4515.13R, Air Transportation Eligibility, Chapter 6, Table-£6.T1 (Eligible Space-Available Travelers, Priorities, and Approved Geographical Travel Segments). This proposed change streamlines Categories 2 through 6 into 3 categories, while Category 1 remains unchanged. This proposal simplifies space available travel for all involved. Request your favorable consideration and endorsement as you staff this issue with the Services and the Combatant Commands.
- 4. Request your approval to begin the CONUS dependent space available test and stand ready to answer any questions regarding the simplification plan. My POC is Ms. Patti Hutt, TCJ-3/4LT, DSN 779-1985, or commercial (618) 229-1985.

GARY H. HYGHEY

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Lieutenant General

Deputy Commander

Attachments:

1. Test Outline

2. Draft DOD 4515.13R Rewrite

cc: Director, Joint Staff

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#### Proposed Implementation Test Plan for Space-Available-Travel-for-Dependents-Within-CONUS

- 1. Test start/end date: 1 Apr 03 1 Apr 04. This start date will allow time to obtain approval from OSD to begin the test, along with time to identify and instruct all CONUS ports, develop port feedback templates, and complete a comprehensive public affairs—announcement campaign. It is critical that information is out in the field by the start date to ensure the busy summer months data is captured.
- Feedback: Instruct all aerial ports to report the following space available information quarterly (user friendly template to be developed):
  - a. Total CONUS passengers moved?
  - b. Total active duty passengers (by Service) moved?
  - c. Total active duty passengers (by Service) moved with dependents?
  - d. Total retirees moved?
  - e. Total retirees moved with dependents?
  - f. Impact on facilities, security, and manpower?
  - g. Other comments.
- 3. Recommend this test be limited to fixed-wing aircraft configured for passenger use.
- 4. Dependents accompanied by their sponsor will assume sponsor's category of travel.
- 5. Recommend test include expanding space-available privileges for dependents of active duty, retirees and reservists on active duty within the CONUS when accompanied by their sponsor. To facilitate the test, we recommend using the existing categories after adding the appropriate notes to Table T6.T1, Eligible Space-Available Travelers, Priorities, and Approved Geographical Travel Segments, as follows:
- Category 1 Emergency Leave Unfunded Travel (remain as is for the test)
- Category 2 Environmental and Morale Leave (EML)
  (remain as is for the test, only used for overseas travel)

  \*\* Passengers coming from overseas, will maintain same date/time sign
  up to final destination however their category will change from Category
  II EML to Category III
- Category 3 Ordinary Leave, Close Blood or Affinitive Relatives, House Hunting Permissive TDY, Medal of Honor Holders, Foreign Military, and Others

Change Required: Item 11, add yes to C-C

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- Category 4 Unaccompanied Dependents on EML and DoDDS Teachers on EML During Summer (remain as is for the test, only used for overseas travel)
- Category 5 Permissive TDY (Non-House Hunting), Students, Dependents, and Others (remain as is for the test)
- Category 6 Retired, Dependents, Reserve, ROTC, NUPOS and CEC

Change Required: Item 33, add yes to C-C